House Study Bill 132 - Introduced

HOUS	SE FILE
ВУ	(PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
	STATE GOVERNMENT BILL BY
	CHAIRPERSON KAUFMANN)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to massage therapy, including licenses to
- 2 practice massage therapy and reports of child abuse.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 152C.3, subsection 3, Code 2021, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 3. A massage therapist licensed pursuant to this chapter
- 4 shall be issued a license number and a license certificate.
- 5 license certificate issued pursuant to this subsection shall
- 6 include a photograph of the licensee.
- 7 Sec. 2. Section 232.69, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
- 8 2021, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
- 9 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (15) A massage therapist licensed
- 10 pursuant to chapter 152C.
- 11 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 14 This bill relates to the practice of massage therapy. The
- 15 bill requires a license certificate issued to a licensed
- 16 massage therapist to include a photograph of the licensee.
- 17 The bill also adds licensed massage therapists to the list of
- 18 persons required to report child abuse. By operation of law,
- 19 such persons are required to complete training regarding the
- 20 identification and reporting of child abuse, and the board of
- 21 massage therapy is required to require the completion of such
- 22 training as a condition of licensure. A person required to
- 23 report suspected child abuse who fails to do so is civilly
- 24 liable for the damages proximately caused by such a failure.